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For: **TISSUE DISSECTING BOARD  
ASSEMBLY**

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This Statement is filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97. The prior art is listed on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08B.

The prior art references, namely the product catalogs listed below, constitute the closest art of which the Applicants are aware relating to the invention of the above identified Application. The Application discloses and claims a tissue dissecting board assembly which is patentable over this prior art, which is as follows.

1. "Dishes/Dissecting", *Fischer Scientific*, 2003, p. 429, U.S.A.
2. "Food Quality Food Safety", *Cole-Parmer Instrument Company*, 2002, p. 574, U.S.A.

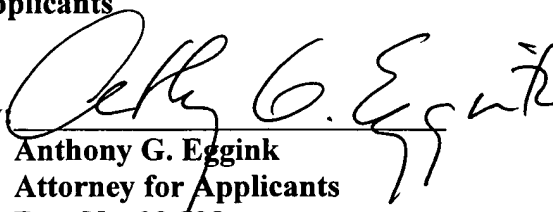
It is respectfully submitted that Applicants' application discloses an invention which is patentable over these prior art references, which are disclosed to the Patent Office to ensure that all pertinent art, of which the Applicants are aware, is before the

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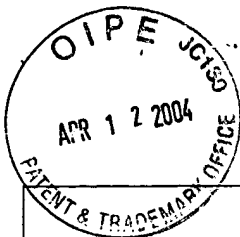
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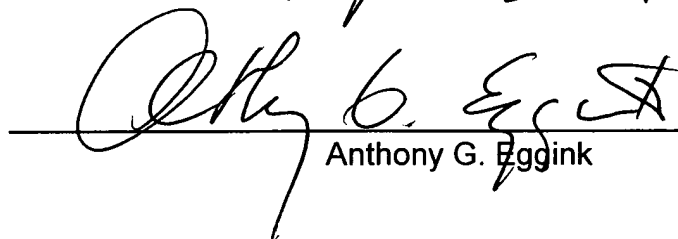


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